Loss Making IISCO

1686. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that IISCO has incurred aggregate loss of Rs. 816 crores;

(b) whether the trade unions are willing to take over the control of IISCO management on Co-operative basis; and

(c) whether the workers of the company have tried to work out any model plan to improve the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) As on 31-3-1994, IISCO had an accumulated loss of Rs. 891.17 crores.

(b) A meeting of the special Tripartite Committee under the Chairmanship of the Minister of State for Labour was held on 9th May, 1994 which, among others, was attended by the leaders of the Central Trade Unions. In this meeting it was decided that the workers would formulate a concrete modernisation plan for IISCO on the basis of their offer of holding 50 per cent share in the company and submit the same to SAIL by 30-6-94.

(c) While the Central Trade Union Organisations have made certain suggestions with regard to modernisation of IISCO, SAIL has not yet received any concrete proposal or model plan to take over the control of IISCO management on cooperative basis.

Import of non-coking coal

1687. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have been importing non-coking coal for use in sponge iron sector;

(b) if so, the quantity of non-coking coal imported in each of the last three years, at what rate and from where and the procedure followed in the purchase thereof;

(c) whether Government made any efforts to use coal of good quality from the coal reserves within the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps taken in this regard to save precious foreign exchange?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) As per the information available with the Government, non coking coal has not been imported for use in the sponge iron sector.

(b) to (e) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Setting up working group between China and India

1688. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM:
SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether India and China have agreed to set up working groups to widen and deepen economical and technical cooperation in the steel sector in the course of discussion in New Delhi on 16th July, 1994 between an eight member Chinese delegation led by the Wu Xichun, Vice Minister for Metallurgical Industry and the Union Minister of State for Steel, Shri Sontosh Mohan Dev as reported in the 'Hindustan Times' dated the 17th July, 1994;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating other wide ranging issues touching upon cooperation between the two countries in the steel sector and whether any agreements signed between China and India also on any other areas during the last six months;

(c) what are the steel items which SAIL exported to China during the last two years as against Chinese import to India of their steel item; and

(d) the year-wise details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSN MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b) An 8 member delegation led by Mr. Wu Xichun, Vice Minister, Ministry of Metallurgical Industry, People's Republic of China visited India in July, 1994, and held discussions with the Government on several issues pertaining to the steel sector. No agreement has been signed during the visit of delegation. However both sides agreed to set up Working Groups to cover the following areas:—

(i) Working Group on Technical Cooperation in the Steel Sector.

(ii) Working Group on Iron Ore and Mangenese Ore.

(iii) Working Group on Imports and Exports of Steel Products.

(c) and (d) Category-wise export of mild Steel of SAIL to China during the last 2 years is as under:—

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Category	1992-93	1993-94
Semis	20.9	97.3
Bars & Rods	10.3	26.9
Struturals	..	23.7
Plates	14.6	96.4
CR sheets/Coils	..	5.4
	45.8	249.7

Import of Iron and Steel from People's Republic of China during the last 2 years is as under:

1992-93	1993-94
436 Tonnes	27977 Tonnes

पारस्परिक आधार पर सरकारी आवासों का आवंटन

1689. **चौधरी हरमोहन सिंह :** क्या शहरी विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार द्वारा नई दिल्ली में डाक एवं तार विभाग के कर्मचारियों को परस्पर अदला-बदली के आधार पर सरकारी आवास आवंटित किये जाते हैं ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो केन्द्रीय सरकार और डाक एवं तार विभाग के ऐसे कर्मचारियों की संख्या कितनी है जिन्हें परस्पर अदला-बदली के आधार पर आवास आवंटित किये गये हैं ?

शहरी विकास मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी.के. थुंगन) : (क) अपना अलग पूल रखने वाले विभागों के साथ क्वार्टरों की परस्पर अदला-बदली का प्रावधान है ।

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